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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 7, 1999, Applicants request that the following amendments and remarks be made of record in the above-captioned patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 8 and 10-22 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject

matter contained therein.

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